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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

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Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a 3-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated May 31, 2001, thereby extending the time period within which to respond to November 30, 2001.

In response to the Office Action mailed May 31, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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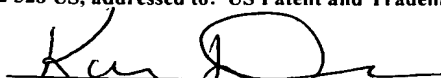
Please replace claims 1, 4, 12, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, and 24 as shown below. A marked up version of the amended claims is attached to this Amendment.

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